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The Honorable Mignon Clyburn,
Acting Chairperson
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
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Dear Chairperson Mignon Clyburn:

"Continuity and progress: the hallmarks, the building blocks, of a great time, great people and a great agency..."

I was very moved when I read those lines as you accepted the role as the first woman to chair the FCC. My name is Vincent McBride, and I am president of YaknChat Wireless. My beginnings as an entrepreneur in the Wireless Industry are humble, but this is America and your appointment broke ground on removing barriers, so I have faith that my journey will also break barriers. I first became involved in FCC spectrum acquisitions in the very first FCC spectrum auction entitled "Entrepreneurs C Block Auction" while working as a Mailman for the U.S. Postal Service. I encountered many obstacles since that day but am sure I will be able to create a great mobile company that serves the great American public with respect and dignity.

I am writing to you to point out the hurdle I have to climb to surmount the barrier AT&T has constructed to constrict small players like myself from moving forward in our quest to provide services in the 700 MHz A Block. By limiting equipment manufacturers to only provide devices for the AT&T owned spectrum they have moved the wireless industry back half a century. I am asking you and the commission to adopt an interoperability mandate across the entire 700 MHz spectrum band.

The interference from Channel 51 has been equally non-productive for prime spectrum that is ready to be utilized by the American public as well. I know that when you said *your job is to build on forward momentum, give the next teammate a running start, an improved position, and no matter what, my goal is not to drop the baton*, you were able to see and remove limiting positions with solutions that will go forward in this industry. I hope you will address these matters immediately as you assume your new position.

With much respect and support, I remain,

Sincerely,

Vincent D. McBride